

Fort Sumter

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South Carolina

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Scavenger Hunt

Patriots Point #1

Listen to the narration on the tour boat going out to Fort Sumter and answer these questions.

1. How many South Carolina troops captured Castle Pinckney on December 27, 1860?
2. Who were the earliest Native inhabitants of Mt. Pleasant?

Once inside Fort Sumter, walk towards the cannons on the left. Find the "Arming the Fort" sign.

3. Which cannon had a greater range, rifled or smoothbore?

Walk to the back left corner and climb the stairs to the top of the fort. Locate the "Controlling the Harbor" and "Night Attack" signs.

4. Why would Union ironclads patrol near the forts but not in the channel?
5. True or False. The night attack on September 8, 1863 was the only landing ever attempted by the Union?

Locate the "Morris Island" and "Charleston Besieged" signs.

6. What military unit led the assault on Fort Wagner on July 18, 1863?
7. What destroyed most of the lower city of Charleston?

Go downstairs to the parade ground. Locate the "Fort Sumter 1861-65" sign.

8. When did Union shelling of Fort Sumter happen?

Listen to the narration on the tour boat return trip and answer these questions.

9. When was the peninsula settled by the English?
10. Which pirate was hanged on the point of the Battery?